

IN THE DRAWINGS

In Figure 5A, for block 407, replace "filter out unnecessary entities" with – filter out unnecessary entities --.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, replace the six (6) paragraphs beginning at line 7 with the following new paragraph:

The present application is a continuation of and claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/306,677, entitled "Method For Providing A Reverse Star Schema Data Model," by Li-Wen Chen and Juan Oritz, filed May 6, 1999, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. ⁶⁰06/116,086, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Performing Customer Data Analysis of a Computer Database Using Reverse Star Schema Data Model," by Li-Wen Chen, filed January 15, 1999. Applications 09/306,677 and 06/116,086 are fully incorporated herein by reference.—

On page 2, replace the paragraph beginning at line 1 with the following new paragraph:

-- Few could foresee the rapid development of computer technology just a few years ago. Computers now have a place in our homes, our offices, our schools and even the our briefcases and satchels. As computer automation continues to impact an ever increasing portion of our daily lives, governments, businesses and individuals have turned to database technology to help them manage the "information explosion" and the exponential proliferation of information that must be sorted, assimilated and managed on a continuing basis. One area of importance to the database design field is data model selection for database applications. --

On page 7, line 9, after "data warehouse builder," insert – 109--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-34.